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SUBJ: ATTENDANCE AT APCAC MEETING IN HONG KONG

REF: YOUR FEBRUARY 10 LETTER

1. WE SHALL CERTAINLY DO ALL WE CAN TO CONVEY DEPARTMENT'S INTEREST IN AND SUPPORT OF THE APCAC MEETING. NORM GETSINGER HAS BEEN FULLY INVOLVED IN ALL DETAILS OF PLANNING, SCHEDULING AND AGENDA FORMATION FROM THE VERY BEGINNING AND WILL ATTEND ALL OF THE MEETINGS, AND IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WILL BE SENDING A SPECIAL REPORT TO YOU ON WHAT TRANSPIRES. WE FACILITATED THE INVITATION TO THE GOVERNOR TO APPEAR AND SPEAK AND IT WAS DUE TO MY QUIET URGING (WHICH APCAC KNOWS ABOUT) THAT HE ACCEPTED. FOR MY PART, I WILL WELCOME DELEGATES AS HONORARY PRESIDENT OF AMCHAM IN HONG KONG, INTRODUCE THE GOVERNOR, ATTEND ONE MORNING OF MEETINGS AND LUNCH AT WHICH BOB MILLER WILL SPEAK AND IN THE EVENING GIVE AN ENORMOUS RECEPTION FOR ALL THE DELEGATES AND THEIR WIVES.

2. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF I COULD HAVE A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM YOU TO THE APCAC WHICH I COULD READ AT THE VERY FIRST MEETING AND WHICH WOULD REFER TO YOUR PREVIOUS CONTACTS WITH THE GROUP, HOW SORRY YOU ARE NOT TO BE ABLE TO COME AND HOW IMPORTANT YOU REGARD THEIR VIEWS. I THINK THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SHOULD BE IN ADDITION TO ANY MESSAGE BOB MILLER WOULD

BRING AS YOUR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE.

3. WARM REGARDS.

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